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Pride of Lions

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Wishing all Lions the best possible 2026!

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Spectacle Collection

by *Stony Stratford Lions Club*

Stony Stratford Lions recently collected 192 pairs of spectacles, which will be refurbished and reused to help people see more clearly. A reminder to everyone: please don't throw away unwanted glasses - they can make a real difference to someone less fortunate.



Message in a Bottle

by *Bicester Lions Club*

Bicester Lions have packed another batch of Message in a Bottle kits, ready for distribution via Bicester Community Hospital. This simple but effective scheme helps emergency services quickly access vital medical information for people living alone.



Winter Packs

by *Redbridge Centennial Lions Club*

Redbridge Centennial Lions organised their annual winter pack distribution at St Giles Church, Tottenham Court Road. Building on previous experience, members focused on essential thermal clothing and items that wear out quickly. The packs were distributed directly to people experiencing homelessness during the winter months.



Food Collection

by *Stony Stratford Lions Club*

With support from Lions from Hemel Hempstead and Milton Keynes, Stony Stratford Lions collected a substantial amount of food at Morrisons Westcroft. Thanks to generous customers and welcoming staff, donations will be delivered to Milton Keynes Food Bank and three local food larders.



Generous donations from Slimming World Eastcote

by Northwood Lions Club

Northwood Lions thank Slimming World Eastcote and leader Kathryn for their generous donations of books, warm clothing, food items, and toiletries. These will support the Harrow & Pinner Lions Food Hub at South Harrow Methodist Church.



Donation to British Heart Foundation

by London Golders Green Club

During a jointly hosted Zone E meeting, London Golders Green Lions presented a £2,000 cheque to the British Heart Foundation. The Club also celebrated Lion Vipul Shah, who received his 45-year service pin, recognising outstanding dedication to Lions service.



Christmas Tree Recycling

by Harpenden Lions Club

Harpenden Lions Club proudly supported the annual Christmas Tree Recycling campaign for St Francis Hospice. Volunteers collected trees across the town, raising vital funds while promoting sustainability. A fantastic example of community spirit in action.



Santa's Helpers

by Wembley Lions Club

In partnership with Connect Centre and Riya's Rainbow, Wembley Lions helped bring joy and smiles to children this Christmas. Together, they donated over 450 toys to Brent Child Protection, Acton Homeless, Jack's Place, and children in Ukraine.



A Magical Evening of Music and Community Spirit

by London West District Lions Club

The London West District Lions Club celebrated a heart-warming milestone with its 2025 Christmas Charity Concert at St Anne's Church in Soho, uniting the community in a festive evening filled with music, compassion, and Christmas cheer.

The night opened with a warm welcome from Lion President Vinny, followed by a solemn moment of silence for the victims of the Tai Po fire in Hong Kong. A beautifully played guitar tribute of Boundless Oceans, Vast Skies set a moving and reflective tone.

What followed was a vibrant programme showcasing the talents of pianists, violinists, dancers, vocalists, and a live band - each performance adding sparkle to the festive atmosphere.

Guests also joined in a lively charity raffle, helping raise funds for a range of meaningful causes, including support for children battling cancer, diabetes prevention, hunger relief, hot meals for the homeless, and Christmas gift packages for families in need.

As the Club's first-ever Christmas concert, the event was a shining example of teamwork, dedication, and community spirit.

Special guest performers, including gifted young musicians from the Royal Academy of Music and an Oxford-based festival band, added an extra layer of excitement and inspiration to the evening.

The London West District Lions Club extends heartfelt thanks to everyone who made this magical night possible.

The Club looks forward to continuing its service to the community in the year ahead.

Melvin Jones Fellowship Celebration Dinner

District 105A is delighted to be hosting a Melvin Jones Fellowship Celebration Dinner, a special evening dedicated to recognising outstanding service and commitment within Lions. The Melvin Jones Fellowship is one of the highest honours in Lions Clubs International, celebrating individuals who have gone above and beyond in service to their communities.

We are especially honoured to welcome Immediate Past International President and Chairperson of LCIF, Lion Fabricio Oliveira, who will be joining us for the evening. Lion Fabricio will personally present the Melvin Jones Fellowships, making this a rare and memorable occasion for all those attending.

The evening promises to be a celebration of service, fellowship, and achievement, bringing together Lions from across the district to recognise dedication and inspire continued impact. Full event details, including venue and booking information, are available on the event flyer.



Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

**CELEBRATION
— AND —
RECOGNITION
DINNER**

**Be recognised for your support to our Foundation LCIF by Immediate Past President and LCIF Chairperson
LION FABRICIO OLIVEIRA**

**TUESDAY
17TH
FEBRUARY
2026**

**PRICE
£42.50
A TICKET**

**THE CLOISTERS
LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY,
HERTFORDSHIRE, SG6 3TH**

6.00pm for 6.30pm START

**BLACK TIE / BUSINESS SUIT
- EVENING / COCKTAIL DRESSES**

**'LIVE' ENTERTAINMENT DURING THE EVENING
EVERYONE WELCOME FROM ALL DISTRICTS**

**TO BOOK THIS EVENT
USE THIS WEB LINK :**
<https://www.lions105a.uk/booking61>

District Cabinet Meeting: Young Ambassador Presentations

The recent District Cabinet Meeting was made particularly special by the attendance of our Young Ambassador candidates, who joined us to present their inspiring projects. Each candidate spoke with confidence, passion, and genuine care, clearly demonstrating their commitment to making a positive difference in their communities.

Their presentations highlighted creativity, leadership, and compassion, offering a powerful reminder of why Lions continue to invest in and support young people. These candidates represent a generation of thoughtful and driven individuals who are already making an impact and shaping the future of charitable service.

We are incredibly proud of every Young Ambassador candidate and wish them all the very best as they continue on their journeys. Regardless of the final outcome, each has already shown remarkable dedication and leadership. District 105A is proud to support and celebrate their efforts.



Diarise the District 105A Convention

DISTRICT CONVENTION 105A 2026



The Double Tree Hilton Elstree

Proudly hosted by the Lions Club of Redbridge Centennial

Why come to the Convention?

Because this is YOUR Convention and your presence matters! Come together with fellow Lions from across District 105A and beyond to connect, share ideas, celebrate achievements, and help shape the future of Lionism for our District.

- **Be Inspired:** Enjoy inspiring talks from engaging speakers and a special address from our International Guest.
- **Participate & Learn:** Engage in interactive sessions, exchange ideas, and return energized with new insights and ideas for your club.
- **Reconnect & Celebrate:** Experience true fellowship by reuniting with old friends, make new friendships, and celebrate the spirit of service that unites us all.

What to expect

Friday Night: An informal evening for Lions to meet, mingle, and relax before the big day.

Saturday Convention:

- Registration with Coffee & Tea
- Buffet-Style Lunch
- Inspiring Speakers & Interactive Sessions
- DG's Celebration Gala Dinner with live entertainment and dancing

Sunday Morning: Meet our International Guest and share the spirit of service.

SAVE THE DATE! 6TH, 7TH & 8TH MARCH 2026

Let's make District 105A Convention 2026 the biggest and best yet! Don't miss out on this opportunity to reignite your passion for service, celebrate our achievements, and return home with new friendships, energy, and ideas.

Booking details coming soon!

🌐 Check our website and 📘 Facebook page for updates

'UNITY IN SERVICE'



23rd Annual Senior Citizens Celebration

We're excited to share that the 23rd Annual Senior Citizens Celebration will take place on Sunday 1 March 2026 at Harrow Leisure Centre. This much-loved event brings together senior members of our community for an afternoon of music, dance, entertainment, good food, and afternoon tea - all for just £14 per person.

It's always a wonderful occasion filled with laughter, joy, and connection, and we can't wait to welcome everyone back for another unforgettable celebration.

LIONS CLUB DISTRICT 105A PRESENTS

23rd Annual Senior Citizens Celebration

1st of March 2026



We Serve

Entertainment

Music, Dance

Good Food

Afternoon Tea

2 PM – 5 PM
Harrow Leisure
Centre,
Harrow, Middlesex
HA3 5BD

Special Price
£14 per person

Get ready for three
unforgettable hours of
excitement and nonstop fun!

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*Clubs are responsible for their own guests.
**We kindly ask that guests arrive no earlier
than one hour before the event start time.



